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SUBJECT: STATUS DEMOCRATIC JUNTA AND DEMOCRATIC  
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BEGIN SUMMARY: DEMOCRATIC JUNTA, IN WHICH SPANISH COMMUNIST PARTY (PCE) MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT, HAS BEEN QUITE ACTIVE AT ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROPAGANDA LEVELS, DESPITE RECENT WITHDRAWAL OF CARLISTS FROM JUNTA. RIVAL DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE COALITION, MADE UP OF MODERATE SOCIALIST, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC, AND REGIONAL GROUPINGS, HAS REPORTEDLY DECIDED AGAINST FORMALLY ESTABLISHING ITSELF, ALTHOUGH THEY CONTINUE TO MEET TO DEVISE COMMON STRATEGY VIS-A-VIS JUNTA AND HAVE AGREED NO COMPONENT GROUP WILL JOIN ON ITS OWN.

SOCIALIST PSOE, CATHOLIC DSC, AND BASQUE PNV ARE GROUPS MOST HOSTILE TO JUNTA. SENTIMENT GROWING IN DEMOCRATIC

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CONFERENCE, HOWEVER, THAT NOTHING IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT PCE

PARTICIPATION, AND THERE ARE INCREASING SUGGESTIONS THAT JUNTA SHOULD BE DISMANTLED AND A NEW BROAD-BASED ALLIANCE INCLUDING PCE AND MOST OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES SHOULD BE AND "FORCES" CURRENTLY REPRESENTED ON JUNTA. END SUMMARY

1. DEMOCRATIC JUNTA COALITION, FORMED LAST JULY BY PCE SECGEN SANTIAGO CARRILLO IN COMBINATION WITH CERTAIN SPANISH BOURGEOIS POLITICAL GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS, HAS RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL PUBLICITY DUE TO TWO RECENT EVENTS, (A) PARTICIPATION OF SOME OF JUNTA'S MEMBERS IN RECENT BRUSSELS SYMPOSIUM ON SPAIN, AND (B) ARRESTS OF THREE JUNTA MEMBERS FOR CONDUCTING JAN 20 MADRID PRESS CONFERENCE IN WHICH THEY ANNOUNCED FORMATION OF MADRID PROVINCIAL SECTION OF DEMOCRATIC JUNTA (ALL WERE SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED), FOLLOWED BY POLICE INTERROGATION SOME JOURNALISTS WHO ATTENDED (SEE REF A).

2. DEMOCRATIC JUNTA HAS RECENTLY BEEN ENGAGED INTENSE ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROPAGANDA ACTIVITY WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF PROVINCIAL JUNTAS. SUCCESSFUL PROVINCIAL DEMOCRATIC JUNTAS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN FORMED IN SUCH AREAS AS MADRID, SEVILLE, AND VALENCIA, WHILE IN CERTAIN OTHER IMPORTANT PROVINCES AND REGIONS, EFFORTS OF DEMOCRATIC JUNTA TO CONVERT PRE-EXISTING OPPOSITION COALITION PARTIES INTO LOCAL CHAPTERS OF JUNTA HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL, DUE TO RESISTANCE STRONG NON-JUNTA POLITICAL GROUPS (E.G. SOCIALISTS AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS), AS IN CASE IN BARCELONA AND CATALONIA, BASQUE PROVINCES, AND GALICIA.

3. JUNTA RECENTLY SUFFERED SLIGHT SETBACK WHEN CARLISTS, ONE OF FOUNDING POLITICAL GROUPS, WITHDREW. REPORTED REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL WAS THAT DEMOCRATIC JUNTA REFUSED CARLIST DEMAND FOR SOME FORM OF JUNTA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CARLIST CLAIM THAT PRINCE HUGO CARLOS IS ONLY LEGITIMATE PRETENDER TO SPANISH THRONE. (JUNTA STILL MAY HOPE TO ATTRACT DON JUAN DE BORBON TO JUNTA, AND SOME OCD DON JUAN'S FORMER FOLLOWERS ARE IN JUNTA AND MAY ACT AS CHANNEL OF DISCREET CONTACT BETWEEN DON JUAN IN ESTORIL  
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AND JUNTA).

4. SOMEWHAT COMPENSATING FOR CARLIST WITHDRAWAL, TWO POLITICAL GROUPS HAVE REPORTEDLY RECENTLY JOINED JUNTA, I.E., INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI), A MAOIST OFFSHOOT OF PCE WHICH REPORTEDLY UNDERGOING A PROCESS OF RAPPROCHEMENT WITH PCE; AND BANDERA ROJA OR RED FLAG GROUPING, CONSISTING LARGELY OF MAOIST TYPE WORKERS AND STUDENTS, WHICH ORGANIZATION

DURING PAST SIX MONTHS HAS REPORTEDLY MERGED INTO PCE.

5. THUS, DEMOCRATIC JUNTA  
REPORTEDLY CURRENTLY CONTAINS  
FOLLOWING POLITICAL GROUPS; (A) PCE AND PSUC, ITS  
CATALAN BRANCH, (B) POPULAR SOCIALIST PARTY (PSP) OF  
PROFESSOR TIerno GALVAN, (C) ANDALUCIAN SOCIALIST ALLIANCE  
(ASA) HEADED BY SEVILLE LAWYER ALEJANDRO ROJAS MARCOS,  
(D) PCE, AND (E) RED FLAG GROUP REPORTEDLY RECENTLY  
INTEGRATED INTO PCE. ADDITIONALLY, PCE-DOMINATED WORKERS  
COMMISSIONS ARE PARTICIPANTS IN JUNTA. (PRINCIPAL NON-  
COMMUNIST CLANDESTINE TRADE UNIONS, HOWEVER, SUCH AS  
SOCIALIST UGT AND CATHOLIC USO, ARE NOT IN JUNTA.)

6. ACCORDING TO JUNTA SOURCES, DEMOCRATIC JUNTA CURRENTLY  
ORGANIZED AS FOLLOWS: (A) NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC JUNTA  
CONSISTING OF 11 FULL MEMBERS AND 12 ALTERNATE MEMBERS,  
LOCATED BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE SPAIN; (B) 50-MEMBER  
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE; (C) REGIONAL DEMOCRATIC JUNTAS,  
WHICH HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED IN CATALONIA, CASTILLE, ARAGON,  
GALICIA, ANDALUCIA, VALENCIA, CANARIES, BALEARICS, AND  
CANTABRIA (I.E., SANTANDER AND ASTURIAS); (D) PROVINCIAL  
JUNTAS IN EACH PROVINCE (E) LOCAL JUNTAS; AND (F) BARRIO  
OR NEIGHBORHOOD JUNTAS.

7. LABATT HAS BEEN TOLD BY VARIOUS JUNTA SOURCES THAT  
FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE AMONG 23 PERSONS ON NATIONAL  
DEMOCRATIC JUNTA: (A) PCE SEC GEN SANTIAGO CARRILLO, AS  
WELL AS HIS DEPUTY, MANAUAL AZCARATE, IN PARIS (REPRESENTING  
PCE); (B) ANDRES GUTIERREZ (ALIAS "GUTI"), IN REPRESENTATION OF

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PSUC (COMMUNIST PARTY OF CATALONIA); (C) JAILED  
COMMUNIST WORKER LEADER MARCELINO CAMACHO (DESPITE FACT  
HE CURRENTLY IN PRISON AS ONE OF "CARABANCHEL TEN") PLUS  
ANOTHER UNIDENTIFIED WORKER, IN REPRESENTATION OF WORKERS  
COMMISSIONS; (D) PROFESSOR ENRIQUE TIerno GALVAN AS WELL  
AS HIS PRINCIPAL DEPUTY, RAUL MORODO, IN REPRESENTATION  
OF PSP; (E) FORMER PROMINENT MEMBER OPUS DEI AND ONE-TIME DON JUAN  
ADVISER RAFAEL CALVO SERRER, WHO NOW LIVES IN EXILE IN  
FRANCE; (F) ALEJANDRO ROJAS MARCOS, REPRESENTING  
ANDALUCIAN ASA; (G) MADRID MONARCHIST LAWYER ANTONIO  
GARCIA TREVIJANO; (H) CATALAN INDUSTRIALIST JOSEP ANDREU  
ABELLO, SUPPOSEDLY REPRESENTING ASSEMBLY OF CATALONIA  
(DESPITE FACT ASSEMBLY AS A BODY HAS REFUSED TO JOIN  
JUNTA); (I) GABRIEL NAVARRO RINCON, A MEMBER OF DOMECC  
SHERRY PRODUCING FAMILY FROM ANDALUCIA, WHO REPORTEDLY  
REPRESENTS ANDALUCIAN LANDOWNERS ON JUNTA; (J) MADRID  
LAWYER JOSE VIDAL BENEYTO (WHO CURRENTLY BEING SOUGHT BY  
POLICE); (K) A MEMBER OF HUARTE FAMILY FROM NAVARRE,  
REPRESENTING LARGE INDUSTRIALISTS IN THAT AREA; AND (L)  
AN UNSPECIFIC PROGRESSIVE PRIEST.

8. COMPOSITION REFLECTS NOT ONLY PARTICIPATION BY POLITICAL  
GROUPS, BUT ALSO BY INDIVIDUALS WHO REPORTEDLY REPRESENT  
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DIFFERENT "FORCES" INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT AND  
CAPITALIST GROUPS WHO REPORTEDLY BELIEVE IN NECESSITY OF  
COOPERATING WITH PCE IN ORDER TO BRING DEMOCRACY TO SPAIN.  
JUNTA THUS REPORTEDLY CONTAINS REPS OF INDUSTRIALISTS,  
OF LARGE LANDOWNERS, AND OF OTHER ESTABLISHMENT OCCUPATIONS,  
INCLUDING PERSONS WITHIN GOVT STRUCTURE (E.G., VARIOUS ACTIVE  
AND RETIRED SPANISH JUDGES REPORTEDLY BELONG). JUNTA ALSO  
INCLUDES MEMBERS OF LESSER CLERGY, AND SEEKS GIVE IMPRESSION  
IT HAS BACKING OF CHURCH HIERARCHY,  
(ONE JUNTA SOURCE EVEN  
CLAIMS THREE SPANISH BISHOPS ARE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN  
PROVINCIAL JUNTAS), ALTHOUGH LATTER APPEARS UNLIKELY. JUNTA  
ALSO SEEKS GIVE IMPRESSION MILITARY OFFICERS ARE  
PARTICIPATING IN IT, BUT THIS ALSO APPEARS HIGHLY UNLIKELY.  
JUNTA MEMBER GARCIA TREVIJANO TOLD EMBOFF THERE WERE NO  
MILITARY INSIDE JUNTA BUT CLAIMED THAT SMALL CLANDESTINE  
GROUP OF YOUNG MILITARY OFFICERS CALLED UNION MILITAR  
DEMOCRATICA, WITH 100-200 MEMBERS, HAS AGREED SUPPORT JUNTA

FROM OUTSIDE. (THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION THIS ALLEGATION, WHICH COULD BE EXAGGERATION OR EVEN FABRICATION FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION).

9. AFTER PCE, NEXT MOST ACTIVE GROUP IN JUNTA IS PSP OF TIerno GALVAN. UNTIL 18 MONTHS AGO PSP WAS MOST ANTI-COMMUNIST SOCIALIST PARTY IN SPAIN, BUT DURING PAST YEAR PSP SURPRISINGLY MADE COMPLETE ABOUT FACE AND JOINED WITH PCE IN DEMOCRATIC JUNTA. ONE PSP LEADER PRIVATELY ADMITTED REAL REASON PSP JOINED JUNTA WAS TO OVERCOME PSP'S PREVIOUS ISOLATION AND LACK OF RECOGNITION BY OTHER SPANISH SOCIALIST GROUPS (SUCH AS PSOE) AND BY FOREIGN BODIES SUCH AS SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL (WHICH ONLY RECOGNIZES PSOE). SOURCE GLEEFULLY STATED THAT NOW THAT PSP IS IN JUNTA, SANTIAGO CARRILLO AND PCE ARE BOOSTING PSP ALL OVER EUROPE AS REP SPANISH SOCIALIST PARTY AND PSP MEMBERSHIP HAS THUS HELPED REVERSE PSP'S PREVIOUS STATUS AS SPANISH AND INTERNATIONAL PARIAH.

10. PART II OF THIS REPORT, DESCRIBING STATUS OF RIVAL DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE AD HOC COALITION AND CONTAINING COMMENT TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL.  
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